

MORE TROOPS RUSH TO DANGER POINTS ON MEXICAN BORDER

Army Officers Fear Uprising Against Americans By Carranzista Soldiers.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 23.—(By AP.)—The United States army is rushing more troops to the border points where the danger is most evident.

From Brownsville to the California line, fear of uprisings by the Carranzista troops against American border towns has been suddenly revived.

Reports of the revolt of Gen. Luis Herrera, former Carranza commander, who is said to have thrown his lot with Villa and declared war against the United States, reached Major General Funston via El Paso.

While no official confirmation has been received, the situation is being frankly faced and the army is taking no chances.

The Twenty-fourth Infantry is expected to reach Columbus late today.

One of the most significant changes in disposition of troops, confirmed today, was the sending of the Fourth Cavalry from Merced to Brownsville, "where it will be better off."

There are already more than 5,000 United States soldiers in the Brownsville district, but Slatomere, a Mexican city across the river, is a hotbed of Villista sentiment.

Now Speeding South.

The Third Battalion of the Fifth Cavalry, now speeding to Columbus, will be distributed immediately along the border, and a portion of the Twenty-fourth Infantry not required for protection of General Pershing's line of communication will be utilized for additional border patrol.

Denials from Carranza officials of the alarming rumors that Carranzistas are flocking to Villa's standard are accepted in army circles with the same reservations that the reports get.

Carranza Consul Garcia in El Paso today issued a formal denial of the Herrera revolt, in which Carranza and Villa were deadly enemies.

Garcia threw further doubt on the alleged clash between Cana's men and Villa by stating he had no advice from "the reported battle" of Nampiqua.

At General Funston's headquarters, it was stated that proper precautions are being taken to guard the line of communication between Columbus and Casas Grandes from possible attack by Carranzista forces.

Funston declined either to confirm or deny a reported engagement between a detachment of the Seventh Cavalry and Villista forces, which is said to have occurred eighty miles southeast of Casas Grandes.

According to the report emanating from El Paso, the casualties were two Americans and eight Carranzistas.

"So far," said Funston, "I have received no word from General Pershing of an engagement. You must remember, however, that our wireless is working very uncertainly."

Very possible for news of such a skirmish to get back to the border before the news reaches here.

Army headquarters insisted that General Bell had made no report of the issuance of Carranzista orders to El Paso. Staff officers admitted, however, that such a step would not be at all improbable under existing circumstances.

They refused to explain what was meant by "existing circumstances."

Uprising Against U.S. Started, El Paso Fears

EL PASO, Tex., March 23.—The predicted uprising against American troops on Mexican soil is under way, it was feared here today. Reports of Carranzista forces joining the Villa bandits, while not officially confirmed, persisted.

With no word of Villa's whereabouts since Monday, he is believed to have escaped.

The 900 troops under Colonel Cano, who were supposed to have defeated the bandit near Nampiqua, are reported to have gone over to him. This would explain the silence of Juarez officials regarding the outcome of the reported battle.

Juarez Commandant Gavira said Cano withdrew after his victory, an unusual proceeding, which practically confirms Villa's escape and suggests collusion.

Unless the American forces returned to their base at Casas Grandes when they heard of Villa's growing numbers, General Pershing's squadrons are believed to be hot on Villa's trail. They were within a day's march of Nampiqua on Monday.

Besides 2,000 well-armed and mounted Carranzistas under General Luis Herrera reported marching from Chihuahua City to join Villa, and Cano's revolt, the Carranza garrisons at Torreon and Cuernavaca are said to have mutinied and declared for Villa. There was no confirmation of these reports.

Five thousand former Villistas who were mustered out of the bandits' service when their generals surrendered in Juarez and received amnesty last fall, were recruited into the de facto government's army. These are among the Carranzista forces reliably reported to have gone back to their old leader.

El Paso's fears of a local uprising were increased when Melchor Herrera, brother of Gen. Luis Herrera, was arrested in this city and charged with recruiting Mexicans here for the purpose of attacking El Paso.

Reports that the Juarez garrison was on the verge of revolt resulted in a strong guard being thrown along the border. Mayor Peto of Juarez and Commandant Gavira were understood to have severed relations, following a

Call for State Militia Is Under Consideration

For the first time since the Villa man hunt was ordered, the Government is seriously considering possible necessity of using the State militia on the Mexican border.

Every available man of the regular army may be needed by Major General Funston to cope with the Villistas, reinforced by deserting Carranzistas. If the entire regular army now in the United States is thrown into Mexico, it is believed the President will have to call for the national guard or for volunteers.

Secretary of War Baker had "not a syllable" to say about the militia situation today, but he did not deny that he is considering a call to the State troops.

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the national guard, army officials say, it would be used merely for service on this side of the border, with the regulars dispatched into Mexico.

Under the law the President would have to call for volunteers and the militia respond before it could be used on foreign soil.

Most of the mobile army in the United States is already in or near Mexico. In addition, the Government has the coast artillery, the army in the Philippines and Alaska and several thousand marines of the navy to call upon in a real emergency.

Six weeks would be required, however, to get any reinforcement from the Philippines and about a month from Alaska, where only two infantry regiments are stationed.

Thousands of men are enrolled in the Coast Artillery lists. Such forces, though given some field training, are essentially not field forces, and moreover are needed at coast defense forts. There is small chance of their being called for Mexican service.

The protocol between the State Department and Carranza for use of Mexican railways as supply routes was practically arranged today. It awaited only the approval of General Carranza.

The terms, major and minor, have been accepted by Carranza. If General Gavira, Polk and Eliso Arredondo, Carranza's representative.

Whether the protocol will be of real service in ensuring peace to General Pershing was rendered dubious today by the reported attitude of the Carranzistas at Juarez. If General Gavira should revolt against Carranza, or refuse to recognize the protocol, it would be practically a nullity unless General Pershing should risk a clash with Gavira's forces.

Extension of border censorship and tightening of lights and curfew hours are added to the difficulties today of learning the exact situation, both on the border and inside Mexico.

One of the missing aviators, is still in doubt, although General Funston reported that Lieutenant Willis had turned up with his command.

At the time of the McLeone and Gore resolutions, half a dozen members of both houses, led by Senator Jones of Washington, sent out a query to their constituents:

"Do you believe \$100,000,000 will do more good spent on good roads than on instruments to kill human beings?"

At the time of the two resolutions, the majority of answers were against preparedness, and against too unyielding an attitude as to American "technical" right to travel.

In the past few days, the answers have indicated a "preparedness first" attitude.

Woman Who Pieced 2,500 Quilts For Friends Dies

WASHINGTON, Ind., March 23.—Mrs. Alice Bailey, who had pieced 2,500 quilts in the last five years, died here at the age of 84.

The quilts were distributed among friends in all parts of the United States.

PUT STOMACH IN ORDER AND STOP GAS INDIGESTION

"Pape's Diapepsin" regulates disordered stomachs in five minutes.

No more dyspepsia, sourness, heartburn, pain, belching, or acidity.

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AVIATOR GORRELL IS STILL MISSING

Three Other Machines in Aero Squadron Disabled With Mexican Expedition.

SAN ANTONIO, March 23.—"Army aero squadron 50 per cent disabled in three days," tells the story of the first test under conditions of actual warfare of the United States Army's Flying Corps.

From March 19, when the squadron of eight left Columbus, until the last report received by Major General Funston was given out, three machines have been disabled and one is missing.

Lieutenant Gorrell, piloting Machine No. 52, last seen over Colonia Juarez, south of Casas Grandes, is still missing and grave fears are felt for his safety.

Machine No. 43, operated by Lieutenant Willis, was disabled at Pearson, some fifty miles south of Casas Grandes, giving rise to the report that he was missing. Major Samples at Columbus received a report that he was safe.

Machine No. 46 was disabled when it fell with Lieutenant Bowen at Casas Grandes.

No. 42, operator not named is laid up at Casas Grandes with a broken axle. Army officers at headquarters are not backward in declaring the aviation campaign to date "dangerously near a fiasco."

A wireless dispatch to Brigadier General Pershing, urging him to send an immediate report on Lieutenant Gorrell, was filed at Fort Sam Houston early today. Whether the missing aviator is the first of the American aero squad to fall a victim to Villista bullets, or

is still alive, perhaps lying injured with a disabled machine somewhere in the desert country, is causing officers great uneasiness.

General Funston today referred to the work of the machines comprising the First Aero Squadron as "very poor." The altitude of the Casas Grandes region, 5,000 feet, is not considered sufficient to explain the poor showing.

Army officers point out that Italian and Austrian aviators are operating at much greater altitudes along the Italian front.

Uneasiness in Congress

Reports that 2,000 Mexican troops under General Herrera have revolted from the Carranza cause and joined Villa, caused anxiety today in Senate and House.

It is realized that if it should prove true that there has been such a revolt and fighting should occur, which one or more American detachments should suffer, the difficulties of the Mexican complications would be much accentuated.

Among members of Congress there is a noticeable feeling that the Mexican entanglement is getting worse, and that it is impossible to foresee the ramifications of it or the results of it.

Senator Sherman of Illinois, who yesterday presented a resolution authorizing and directing the President to call for 50,000 volunteers for Mexican service, was more than ever convinced today that some of the American forces are in jeopardy.

"I intend to fight for the resolution," said Senator Sherman. "I am familiar with the country in which the American troops are, and I know its difficulties."

While there is no reason to believe the Democratic leaders in the Senate will permit the Sherman resolution to be adopted, there was a renewed current of talk to the effect that with the country almost stripped of regular troops, apart from those other in Mexico on the border, the national guard would probably be called on for organizational duty.

National guard officers who are here looking after legislation for the militia made it plain they would not be surprised if services of some of the best of the guard organizations were required.

Student Flees University With Scarlet Fever

PHILADELPHIA, March 23.—Stricken with scarlet fever, John Bacon, a University of Pennsylvania student, who lived in the dormitories, fled from this city instead of submitting to quarantine, and was on his way to his home, at 14 East Market street, York, when intercepted at Lancaster by railroad physicians.

The train got away before the medical men could stop it, but the Pullman in which Bacon had ridden was cut out and disinfected at Harrisburg. Bacon was taken to his home from Lancaster in an automobile.

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